

Dear FCC,I recommend that the 5 WPM Morse code license requirement be retained for the Amateur Extra Class License only.

This is to ensure a minimum of radio telegraph proficiency in those regions of the HF band, where a large amount of International Morse code traffic/qso/messages are still in daily use. The United States, has a sizable ham radio operator population that is on the air and active using Morse code in preference or to augment other modes, as new operators come on board it would be "nice" that these people have a very basic skill in the use of Morse code in the Extra Class CW band assignments. Further, I feel this is not an unreasonable requirement for an interested and motivated individual. This will be a source of pride and foster a sense of personal accomplishment pursuant to this highest class of operator license.

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Content-Transfer-Encoding: quoted-printable

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<style>
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/* Style Definitions */
p.MsoNormal, li.MsoNormal, div.MsoNormal
{mso-style-parent:"";
margin:0in;
margin-bottom:.0001pt;
mso-pagination:widow-orphan;
font-size:12.0pt;
font-family:"Times New Roman";
mso-fareast-font-family:"Times New Roman";}
a:link, span.MsoHyperlink
{color:blue;
text-decoration:underline;
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text-underline:single;}  
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{color:purple;  
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mso-bidi-font-family:"Courier New";}  
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mso-bidi-font-family:Arial;  
color:windowtext;}  
span.SpellE  
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span.GramE  
{mso-style-name:"";  
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{size:8.5in 11.0in;  
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font-family:"Times New Roman";}
</style>
<![endif]-->
</head>

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Filing</span></font></code><font
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</font></code></span></font><code><font
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style=3D'font-size:10.0pt'>05-235</span></font></code><font
size=3D2 color=3Dred face=3D"Courier New"><span
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<code><font face=3D"Courier New">&lt;DATE&gt;
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style=3D'font-size:10.0pt'>10/26/05</span></font></code><font  
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Allen Road</span></font></code><font  
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<br><code><font face=3D"Courier New">DOCUMENT-TYPE</font></code></span></font><code><font face=3D"Courier New">RC</font></code><br><code><font color=3Dred face=3D"Courier New"><span style=3D'color:red'>&lt;PHONE-NUMBER&gt;</span></font>803-786-4607</code><br><code><font color=3Dred face=3D"Courier New"><span style=3D'color:red'>&lt;DESCRIPTION&gt;</span></font></code><font color=3Dred><span style=3D'color:red'><br><code><font face=3D"Courier New">&lt;CONTACT-EMAIL&gt;</font></code></span></font><code><font face=3D"Courier New">w7do@arrl.net</font></code><br><code><font color=3Dred face=3D"Courier New"><span style=3D'color:red'>&lt;TEXT&gt;</span></font></code></span></font><font size=3D2 face=3DArial><span style=3D'font-size:10.0pt;font-family:Arial'><o:p></o:p></span></font></p>

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size=3D2 face=3DArial><span style=3D'font-size:10.0pt;font-family:Arial'>United States</span></font></st1:place></st1:country-region><font size=3D2 face=3DArial><span style=3D'font-size:10.0pt;font-family:Arial'>, has a sizable ham radio operator<o:p></o:p></span></font></p>

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12.0pt'><o:p>&ampnbsp</o:p></span></font></p>

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